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Dear members of the international community of Chambers of Commerce.

As of today, I am honored to serve you as President of the World Chambers Federation (WCF). From now until June 30, 2025, I will work tirelessly under two main objectives: strengthen the WCF as a forum of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) that represents more than 1,200 chambers from around the world and provide all the tools to support our SMEs.

These objectives will allow us to execute a work plan to ensure that chambers of commerce reach a greater number of entrepreneurs and companies, providing more and better services and allowing them an enhanced integration with their national ICC committees. We will also bring our smaller companies closer to digital technologies, and tools to combat climate change; and we will also work with them to adopt more inclusive cultures that will allow us to promote the participation of women and youth in our community.

In the short term, we will work to identify and attract international allies to apply the best practices in strengthening the business fabric of each region of the world. We will also hold global events to promote gender equality and sustainable production models. In addition, we will build a work plan to promote two of the most successful programs of the Federation: Chambers Connect and Chambers Model Innovation. To achieve this, we will engage in constructive dialogue with representatives from all regions and use other tools, such as surveys, to understand the needs of Chambers in different parts of the world.

Over the next three years, you will have an unconditional ally to continue fostering commercial ties and consolidating our businesspeople and chambers of commerce as the main engines of economic and social development in all corners of the world.

Yours truly,



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